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SUBJECT: GREEK PARTICIPATION IN FEBRUARY-MARCH SESSION OF
ILO GOVERNING BODY

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1. POLITICAL COUNSELOR AND EMBASSY LABOR OFFICER CARRIED OUT THE INSTRUCTIONS AND LEFT AN AIDE MEMOIRE PER REFTEL WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE MFA'S INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES DIVISION, TONY NOMIKOS, FEB 10. NOMIKOS HAS ONLY RECENTLY TAKEN OVER THIS POSITION AND WAS NOT FULLY BRIEFED ON ILO DEVELOPMENTS AND SPECIFICALLY THE ISRAELI CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION. THEREFORE, WHILE APPRECIATIVE OF THE US POSITION, HE WAS NONCOMMITAL CONCERNING WHAT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT TO GREECE'S NON-VOTING GOVERNMENT DEPUTY MEMBER ON THE GB. HE PROMISED TO ADVISE THE EMBASSY AS SOON AS A DECISION HAS BEEN MADE.

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2. WE MADE A SIMILAR DEMARCHE AT THE MINISTRY OF LABOR WHERE SECRETARY GENERAL MALATESTAS TOLD THE LABOR OFFICER FEBRUARY 11 THAT THE MFA ALONE WOULD DETERMINE THE GOG'S POSITION ON CLOSING THE BOOK ON THE ISRAELI CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, HE SAID THAT HE DOUBTS THE GREEK REPRESENTATIVE WILL EXPRESS A DEFINITE OPINION ON THE ISSUE.

3. CONCERNING AMENDMENT OF ART 17, HOWEVER, MALATESTAS SAID THE LABOR MINISTRY WOULD HAVE A ROLE IN SHAPING THE GREEK POSITION. HE AGREED THAT POLITICIZING THE ILO HAS HAMSTRUNG THE ORGANIZATION AND THAT IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS IF THE ILO AND ITS MEMBER GOVERNMENTS WERE NOT FACED IN THE FUTURE WITH SITUATIONS SUCH AS THAT CREATED BY THE ISRAELI CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION. HE DID NOT, HOWEVER, INDICATE WHAT POSITION THE LABOR MINISTRY WOULD TAKE ON THE AMENDMENT.

4. AMBASSADOR METAXAS, THE GREEK PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE IN GENEVA, WILL REPRESENT GREECE AT THE GB MEETINGS. TWO LABOR MINISTRY OFFICIALS WILL ACT AS HIS ADVISORS -- PANAYIOTIS TSOUKATOS, DIRECTOR OF THE LABOR MINISTRY'S OFFICE WHICH FOLLOWS ILO AFFAIRS, AND MISS EFTHIMIA IOANNIDOU FROM THE SAME OFFICE.
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